SUBJECT No. 74.

Revenue sales should on no account be cancelled.

Mr. Pandurangappa, Kumsi Sub-Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—When lands are sold for arrears of kandayam due by the khatedar, the purchaser at the sale is required to make a deposit at the outset and to pay the full amount within the prescribed period. A report is then made by the taluk authorities for confirmation of the sale. By the time the sale is confirmed by the Deputy Commissioner, either the defaulter, one of the hissedars of the land, or the mortgagee will produce the amount of the kandayam due and apply for cancellation of the sale, which is usually granted. By the time this is done a period of about five or six months will have elapsed and the purchaser at the sale will have to lose not only the land for which he had bid but also the interest on the money paid by him. He will further be discouraged from bidding at any other revenue sale. It is therefore requested that when regular sales are held for arrears of land revenue, the sale should on no account be cancelled.

Reply of Government.—It is urged that some compensation must be paid to the purchaser of land in a revenue sale, when the sale is set aside after a long period, the purchase-money being kept in deposit all the while. The Deputy Commissioners consulted are divided in their opinion on the subject. A report will be called for from all the officers concerned, and the question investigated.

SUBJECT No. 75.

Alterations in the Remission Rules.

Mr. Singri Nanjappa, Tumkur District Board.

Summary of discussion.—The subject of altering rules authorizing the grant of remission on wet lands is being urged for consideration. No material help will be rendered by Deputy Commissioners without the alteration of such rules, even if raiyats bring the matter to the notice of such officers. It is requested that Government may be pleased to give favorable consideration to this subject.

Reply of Government.—The alteration proposed is against the principles of revenue settlement adopted in Mysore. Such remissions are generally granted only when there is wide-spread drought and distress.

SUBJECT No. 76.

Remission of tax on fallow lands under tanks.

Mr. B. Basappa Setty, Bangalore Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Holders of land under atchkat tanks are made to pay tax even in the years when water is not available in the tanks. As people are subjected to great hardships by being made to pay assessment for such waste lands, it is requested that remission may be ordered on all such occasions and steps taken for the disposal of this old complaint.

Reply of Government.—*Vide* Subject No. 75.

SUBJECT No. 77.

Remissions of assessment on dry lands permanently assessed with water-rate.

Messrs. Chikkaramanna and Suryanaranappa, Kolar Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Request that in granting remissions on dry lands permanently assessed with water-rate, half remission of both the water-rate and dry assessment may be granted, instead of the water-rate alone, and that rajinamas for mere water-rates may also be ordered to be accepted.